

19th September 2023

RE: PARENT INFORMATION LETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you and your families are keeping well and that you have settled back into the school routine.

I am delighted to share that the local authority, Islington and the Diocese of Westminster both support the proposal for St Aloysius College to go co-educational in Years 7 and 8 from September 2024. We already have a co-educational Sixth Form so this is an extension of our current provision.

As you know, our A-Level and GCSE results in 2023 were both very strong and I am very pleased that our families can now send siblings, sons and daughters, to our school in Years 7 and 8 from September 2024.

We are a diverse and inclusive community with very high standards and we are offering excellent educational opportunities to all pupils, regardless of faith or no faith. I have attached a copy of the statutory notice of the school going co-ed in Years 7 and 8 from September 2024.

Please share news of our Open events for September 2024 admission with your family and friends. If the dates below don't suit, I am happy to meet prospective parents and to take them around the school at a time that suits them.

Open Evening: Tuesday 3rd October - 16:30-19:00

Open Saturday: 7th October – 09:00-11:00

Open Mornings: 4th-13th October – 09:15-10:30

PLEASE ALSO NOTE THE FOLLOWING EVENTS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Year 10 Curriculum Evening: Thursday Sept 21st from 17:00-18:00
- Year 12 Curriculum Evening: Thursday Sept 21st from 16:30-18:00
- Years 8/9 Curriculum Evening: Thursday October 5th from 17:00-18:00
- Year 7 Curriculum Evening: Thursday October 19th from 16:30-17:00 followed by Year 7 Welcome Mass at 17:00
- Year 11 Parents' evening on Thursday October 12th from 16:00-18:00
- The school will close early at 12:00 for pupils in Years 7-13 on **Tuesday, October 3rd** to give staff time to prepare for Open evening. Parents of boys who have offered their help at the Open evening will be written to separately.

The return to school has been smooth and pupils have now settled back into their school routines. Please remind your son to make sure he arrives at school on time fully equipped. He should wear a belt on his trousers and when the weather gets cold, he should wear a plain black jacket.

Justina Forrestal from 'Positive Futures' provides confidential help with benefit applications, managing debt, applying for jobs, housing etc. If you would like to book a Wednesday afternoon slot with Justina, please contact her on 07778 362086 or email positivefutures@hncp.org.uk. If Wednesday afternoon doesn't suit then please contact her to make alternative arrangements. An email will be sent to parents when our foodbank is next re-stocked so you can come and help yourselves.

You are very welcome to meet with me (virtually) at our monthly first Friday meeting for parents. The next will take place on Friday October 6th 10:00-10:30. Please see the school website for details.

Yours sincerely,



Ms Paula Whyte
Headteacher